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SUMMARY: SENIOR KENYAN DELEGATION LED BY VICE PRESIDENT MOI DEPARTED WASHINGTON MARCH 5 AFTER EXTENSIVE DISCUSSIONS WITH SENIOR USG OFFICIALS ON HORN OF AFRICA AND KENYA'S SECURITY NEEDS. THE DELEGATION WILL HOLD SIMILAR DISCUSSIONS WITH UK OFFICIALS IN LONDON BEFORE RETURNING TO NAIROBI. DELEGATION DEPARTED WITH ADMINISTRATION ASSURANCES THAT USG WOULD GIVE SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION TO KENYA'S DEFENSE NEEDS, AND US MILITARY SURVEY TEAM EXPECTED TO DEPART MID-MARCH TO STUDY KENYAN REQUIREMENTS. DISCUSSIONS ON THE HORN INDICATED NO IMPORTANT DIFFERENCES ON OVERALL GOALS, BUT KNOWN TACTICAL DIFFERENCES SURFACED. END SUMMARY.

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2. KENYAN DELEGATION MADE CLEAR TO SENIOR US OFFICIALS ITS VIEW THAT DESPITE KENYA'S PREFERENCE TO CONCENTRATE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, IT HAD NO ALTERNATIVE BUT TO EXPAND ITS ARMED FORCES TO A LEVEL ADEQUATE TO PROTECT KENYA'S TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY FROM PRESENT SOMALI THREAT AND POTENTIAL FUTURE THREAT FROM MARXISM REGIME IN ETHIOPIA. DELEGATION EXPRESSED VIEW THAT KENYA SHARED U.S. INTEREST IN CONTAINING COMMUNISM IN HORN OF AFRICA, PROTECTING SEA LANES, AND SAFEGUARDING PETROLEUM SOURCES. KENYANS TOOK POSITION THAT WITHDRAWAL OF SOMALI FORCES FROM OGADEN WOULD LEAVE THE SOVIETS WITH NO EXCUSE FOR REMAINING IN ETHIOPIA AND INDICATED THEIR WILLINGNESS TO SUPPORT JOINT CALL FOR WITHDRAWAL OF SOVIET AND CUBAN COMBAT FORCES IF SOMALIS WITHDREW FROM OGADEN.

3. SENIOR U.S. OFFICIALS STATED U.S. SHARED NUMBER OF PRINCIPLES WITH KENYA, WAS CONCERNED ABOUT KENYAN SECURITY SITUATION AND WAS DEEPLY CONCERNED OVER DETERIORATING SITUATION IN HORN. THEY NOTED SOVIETS HAD OVERARMED BOTH GSDR AND EPMG, INDICATED STRONG U.S. SUPPORT FOR PRINCIPLE OF TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY IN AFRICA, EXPRESSED HOPE FOR LESSENING OF TENSION BETWEEN KENYA AND SOMALIA, AND SAID IT WOULD BE EASIER FOR USG TO USE ITS INFLUENCE IN AREA IF THERE WERE A DROP IN LEVEL OF INVECTIVE BETWEEN KENYA AND SOMALIA.

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6. OVERRIDING THEME OF WASHINGTON MEETINGS WAS JOINT REAFFIRMATION OF DESIRE FOR CONTINUED CLOSE RELATIONS. KENYAN AND U.S. LEADERS HAD OPPORTUNITY TO MEET FOR FIRST TIME, AND OUR ASSESSMENT IS THAT KENYANS DEPARTED WITH POSITIVE IMPRESSION OF ADMINISTRATION AND, IN CASE OF ONE KENYAN ANGLOPHILE, (NJONJO), OF U.S. ITSELF.

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